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Bike thefts shift into high gear

Reports of stolen bicycles spike in first two months of school year

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Bicyclists beware.

Within the first five weeks of the semester, five bikes and one rear wheel have been reported stolen.

Bike thefts are already approaching the number of bike thefts for all of last year: six.

Stolen bikes are found occasionally, Jeff Wilgus, assistant director of Campus Safety and information said, but "without recorded serial numbers or other similar markings, it's tough to prove that a bike is stolen."

Students can register their bike by serial number on PLU's website or in person at the Campus Safety office for free.

Every registered bike receives a

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PHOTO BY BEN QUINN

Junior Matthew Hlust rides his admittedly — and intentionally — inexpensive bike towards class from the Anderson University Center, claiming that the price of his bike guarantees that he won't be distressed were it to be stolen. "The idea of it getting stolen never popped into my mind," Hlust said.

Hunger Walk gets people moving

PLU participates in Pierce County walk to benefit the hungry

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Hunger was put on hold in Lakewood last Sunday for the annual Hunger Walk.

Thirty members of the Pacific Lutheran University community arrived at Fort Steilacoom Park to help the hungry.

Students and faculty members from the Resident Hall Association, Campus

Ministry, Center for Community Engagement and Service, Social Work Club and Psychology Club gave a lending hand and participated in the walk. Lute Nation and PLUtonic performed as the event was closing. President Thomas Krise spoke to the crowd along with the mayor of Lakewood and others, before the walkers took their spot in front of the starting line.

Senior Brandon Ruesken,

president of Phi Alpha Honors Society and the student leader for PLU's Social Work Team, has been involved with the walk for the last three years.

"I think that hunger, especially hunger in the United States, is something that is often overlooked," Ruesken said. "In Social Work one of our big things is community organizing, and as such, this is a big community organizing event so I really

just get into it."

The Hunger Walk began decades ago as the Crop Walk and developed into a Tacoma event. Associated Ministries is the sponsor of the Hunger Walk, which benefits food banks and food pantries.

Half the money goes to the Emergency Food Network, a service that provides shelters, hot meal sites and supplies to food banks. The Hunger Walk is one of the largest donors to

the Emergency Food Network.

When Kathy Russel, director of the social work program at PLU and president of the board of directors of Associated Ministries, first came to PLU, she taught J-term's Tacoma on the Hill Top class. One of the sites they used was at Associated

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tamper-proof decal so that if a bike is stolen the police can identify it with greater ease.

The types of bikes taken varied, mainly "mountain bikes or crossovers, one cruiser and one BMX," were reported stolen Wilgus said. None were registered with Pacific Lutheran University.

All of the bikes were reported stolen from different locations on campus and each of the five bikes had been secured with a cable lock.

"The cable locks had been

cut and as far as we can tell, each [theft] occurred during daylight hours," Wilgus said.

Students should "avoid cable locks," Wilgus said. Wilgus recommends students use case hardened steel or U locks, as they "are harder to get through."

Anyone can purchase U locks at a variety of businesses from sports stores to Walmart. Prices increase with the quality of the lock, but typically range from \$20 to \$40.

Junior Matthew Hust started biking to campus this year, but is not concerned about the thefts and uses a

cable lock.

"My bike is kind of tacky and it's not expensive," Hust said. "The idea of it getting stolen never popped into my mind."

Hust said he leaves his helmet on his bike but does take off the attachable safety lights he uses for nights, "because they're a lot more expensive and valuable than my bike helmet."

Wilgus said students should also remove anything valuable or easy to remove from their bikes, such as odometers, upgraded bike seats or packs.

"Be vigilant and report any suspicious activity, even if it doesn't appear to affect you," Wilgus said.



PHOTOS BY BEN QUINN

"The idea of it getting stolen never popped into my mind."

Matthew Hust
junior

Guest writer Jesse Major contributed to this article.

TOP LEFT: Junior Matthew Hust rides his bike to class. **TOP RIGHT:** A cut cable lock lies at the base of a bike rack outside of the Mortvedt Library – evidence that a theft has taken place on the PLU campus, an event that has repeated four or more times this year. **ABOVE:** Sophomore Doug Smith secures his bike to a tree outside Hauge Administration Building with a D-lock, which assistant director of Campus Safety Jeff Wilgus says will make for a more effective theft deterrent than ordinary cable locks. Sophomore Isaac Moening-Swanen, who works at the Bike Co-op, said "a lot of people have come in complaining about their bikes being stolen and asking if we have seen them, and so it's just hard because we can't do anything about it."

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Feminist Student Union gets 'Fresh'

Tabling event asks students to take off their makeup, feel beautiful

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Feminist Student Union members joined together to show they do not think women need makeup to feel beautiful.

On Oct. 5, the Feminist Student Union (FSU) tabled in the Anderson University Center Friday afternoon selling t-shirts and asking students to take off their makeup and write down why they are beautiful on signs.

Students and staff were photographed with their "I love my fresh face because..." signs and the pictures are posted on the Feminist Student Union's Facebook page.

Students wrote a range of reasons, from "my sense of humor" to "my collection of books." The signs will be put into a collage and hung in the Women's Center.

The day, dubbed "Fresh Face Friday," was an idea the FSU chose from the website <http://www.missrepresentation.org/>.

The site describes a social action campaign in honor of the film "Miss Representation," a documentary that challenges some of the portrayals of women in the media. According to the site, the campaign's mission is to shift people's consciousness, inspire individual and community action and ultimately transform culture so everyone, regardless of gender, can fulfill their

potential." People were able to hash tag "freshfacefriday" to create an online conversation on Twitter about society and its views on makeup.

Senior Laura Ewton, president of the FSU, said she wants students to know that the value of a person "doesn't lie in their appearance."

Ewton said she thinks a person's value "lies in their personality or their intelligence" and there is no need to wear makeup all of the time.

The FSU wants students to reflect on the way the media views beauty because it has a huge affect on the way people see themselves, Ewton said.

Senior Nina Hartsel, a member of the FSU who participated in Fresh Face Friday, said she "refuses to let the media define who I am."

"I want my friends, family and community to know they are beautiful and precious even if they don't fit a narrow, air brushed ideal," Hartsel said. "I want to change the way beauty is defined in our society. It should be a celebration of health, diversity, joy, love, community and the miracle that is living."

By taking a day to go against the media's messages and removing their makeup, "women are empowered to define beauty in whatever way is real and honest to them," Hartsel said.

Junior Kortney Scroger, co-leader of the FSU, said the purpose of Fresh Face Friday

is made up of two parts. The first is to simply appreciate and recognize the beauty that everyone possesses. The second is to shine light on how media depicts beauty, Scroger said.

The campaign's purpose is not to tell people that makeup is bad. The FSU just wants people to feel beautiful without it, Ewton said.

Scroger said that Fresh Face Friday is a reflection of the FSU because it "promotes acceptance."

"The fact that all women are beautiful, all people are beautiful, unique and equal. FSU seeks to promote equality, raise consciousness and to uplift spirits," Scroger said.

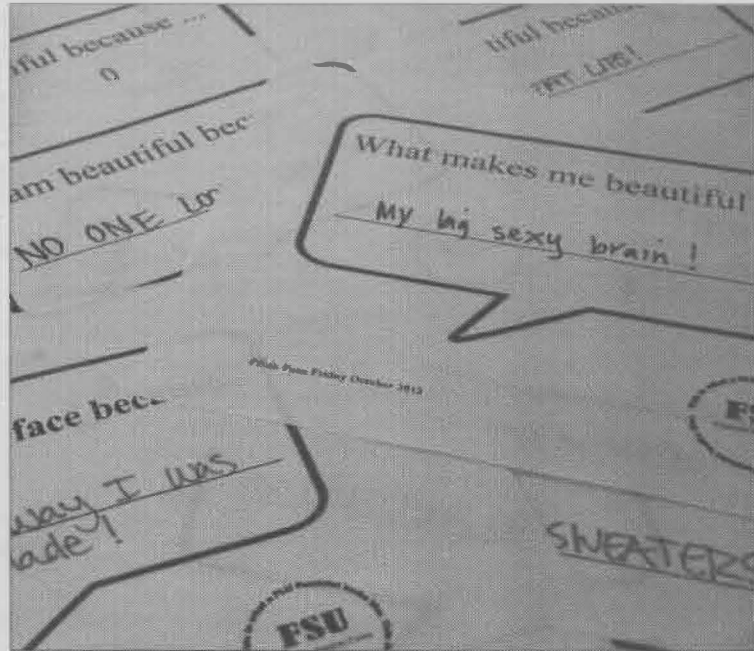
The FSU will help the Women's Center host the event "Love Your Body Day" on Oct. 17. It will take place in the Anderson University Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will include a "Be(YOU)tiful" runway show plus other activities to help students with their self confidence.

"It's about loving who you are and not what other people think about you," Ewton said.

Other upcoming events for the FSU include tabling at the next Sex Positive event Oct. 29 and in November the FSU will be hosting a photo contest on

Facebook to determine who can take the "most creative photo with their shirt" and the winner will get a prize.

Contact the FSU at fsu@plu.edu for any questions or if you are interested in joining the club.



PHOTOS BY TAYLOR LUNK

TOP: Participants at 'Fresh Face Friday,' an event put on by the Pacific Lutheran University Feminist Student Union, filled out pieces of paper answering statements including "What makes me feel beautiful is..." to pose with for pictures that were placed on FSU's Facebook page. ABOVE: Seniors Laura Ewton, president of FSU, and Nina Hartsel table for 'Fresh Face Friday' in the Anderson University Center last Friday. At the event, participants were encouraged to take off their makeup and think about why they feel beautiful without it. The event idea was inspired by the documentary "Miss Representation."

"I want to change the way beauty is defined in our society."

Nina Hartsel
senior

Curator discusses Egyptology



PHOTO BY RYAN PAGE

Nicholas Reeves, the Egyptology curator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, presented at the annual Egyptology lecture on Oct. 3 in the Scandinavian Center. Reeves discussed the latest theories about the burial mask of King Tutankhamun. According to recent discoveries, the famous mask was not even originally made for Tutankhamun.

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Bastyr University students find human remains

College students from Bastyr University found a skull and some "long bones" close to their school while hiking.

Bastyr, a college of natural health arts and sciences, is located inside a 51-acre wooded area in Kenmore, Wash.

When the students were near Juanita Drive, they discovered the remains and immediately called the sheriff's office.

King County major detectives responded to the scene.

The King County medical examiner believes the remains are of an elderly man, although he has not yet been identified.

Authorities believe the bones were exposed to the elements for over a year.

It is still unclear whether the man died on the scene or if his remains were placed there after his death.

Investigators are searching the area for teeth and other evidence that may point to who the man is and how the bones got there.

Information gathered from the Seattle Times.

Washington state fails sex offender tracking program requirements

Washington state failed to meet the full requirements for a 2006 law requiring the state to join a national program for tracking sex offenders.

Thirty-three other states failed to do so as well. The program was intended to create a uniform system for tracking and registering offenders based off of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act. The system would have allowed all states to use a common system that is also easily searchable. Because of this failure, the states stand to lose millions in grants for law enforcement.

Among the 34 states that failed to meet requirements, 5 states have simply opted not to utilize the system at all, saying that it would cost more to implement than losing the grants.

Because of their noncompliance, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Nebraska and Texas will lose 10 percent of their law enforcement funding from the Justice Department.

The other 29 states have asked to receive their grants to help them meet the conditions of the law.

Information gathered from the Associated Press.

Unemployment rate hits new low

The U.S. unemployment rate dropped below 8 percent for the first time in a little under four years.

The Labor Department said on Friday that 114,000 jobs were added in September, and 86,000

more jobs than expected in July, leaving the percentage of unemployment at 7.8 percent.

The September gains were led by the healthcare industry, which added 44,000 jobs, although transportation and warehousing also had large gains.

Revisions showed that the government itself added 63,000 jobs in July and August. However, many of the jobs added are part time, while the number of individuals seeking full time work rose 7.5 percent to 8.6 million.

After the report was released, the Dow Jones industrial average futures rose 45 points, a mildly encouraging start.

The yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note also grew from 1.68 to 1.73 percent.

Information gathered from the Associated Press.

Toddler's body found, parents suspected

A New York toddler's body has been found after his death was concealed by his family for more than two years.

Justin Kowalczyk was apparently buried in July 2010, shortly after his family moved from Orange County to Long Island.

Officials with the Suffolk County Child Protection Services agency went to Heather Kowalczyk's house on Oct. 3 to check on one of her three children.

Officials grew concerned when she could not account for the whereabouts of Justin.

Eventually, police were called in, and the mother was subjected to a police interview.

She confessed that the toddler had died shortly after the family moved.

Kowalczyk's boyfriend and father of her other two children, Robert Rodriguez, has been named a person of interest.

On Oct. 5, after Rodriguez learned the body had been discovered, he took his nine-year-old child from school and attempted to flee.

An Amber Alert quickly located both father and son.

Information gathered from the Associated Press.

California gas prices rise

Gas prices in California have risen to an all time average high of \$4.61. This is the highest the state has seen since July 19, 2008, when gas was \$4.60.







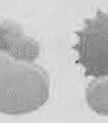
The American Automobile Association's Daily Fuel Gauge Report for Oct. 6 said the average price for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline in California rose approximately 12 cents from the Friday price of \$4.49.

Patrick DeHaan, a senior petroleum analyst at <http://gasbuddy.com/>, predicted that the average price could peak at \$4.85. "Early next week is when we may see some significant declines," DeHaan said.

"Prices may climb for the next two or three day before they start to come down," DeHaan said.

Information gathered from the Associated Press.

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Ministries because they had a large board room and could eat lunch there.

"It got me hooked and I got on the board of directors and I started to get more and more involved," Russel said.

Since then, PLU has partnered with Associated Ministries over the years. PLU's involvement started out with just the Social Work team, but soon people started bringing friends and it grew from there.

In the last few years, teams involved with the Hunger Walk at PLU have

become more serious within the last few years when it comes to raising money.

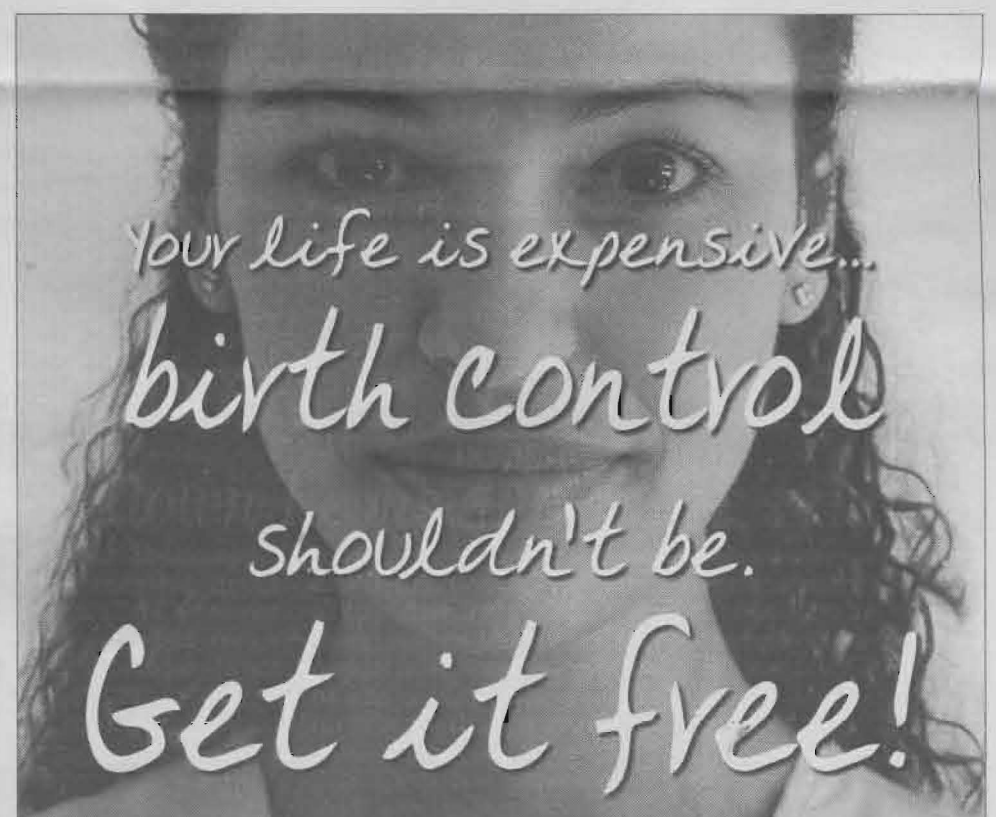
Senior Maggie Mickelson who participated in the Hunger Walk said the walk "is important because there are funds that need to be raised and Associated Ministries does so many amazing things. It's great to see the greater Pierce County community get involved."

Various ways to get involved include volunteering, raising money, walking, sponsoring someone to walk or to be a support for the community members involved.

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Horribly funny

Exclusive press screening leaves columnist laughing in the face of danger

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With Halloween just around the corner, a horror film seemed like the perfect way to spend an evening.

The Tacoma Film Festival, which ran from Oct. 4-11, gave the Australian movie "Crawl" its Washington state premiere last week. I was invited to preview the film.

Horror, however, never made an appearance, allowing hilarity to steal the stage instead.

The film focuses on waitress Marilyn Burns, portrayed by actress Lauren Dillon. Burns is taken hostage in her home by a killer, played by George Shevtsov, who has a love for cowboy hats. She's waiting for her boyfriend to visit at the time, not knowing his car has broken down. The villain is a contract killer who accidentally hits the stranded boyfriend with his car and later kills him.

The murderer then becomes obsessed with finding a new ride, since the accident totaled his car. He breaks into

Marilyn's house looking for keys to her motorbike.

The film was confusing because few of the killer's actions add up and the premise is heavily based on coincidence and chance.

The story is set in Australia, so there were at least some cool accents, even if it did make a couple of the characters' mumbblings even more incoherent.

As is typical in horror films, Marilyn's house is in the middle of nowhere, so she can't

run to the neighbors for help.

The deadliest feature of this film was its pacing. It was a bit like watching a movie in slow motion. In this regard, the film

was aptly named. Other than that, the title "Crawl" made little sense, as there were only a few "crawling" scenes, none of which mattered and seemed like they were included simply

nothing to plot or character development, both of which could've used a boost.

In one case, Marilyn's friend drops a cake off at her house, not knowing Marilyn

has already been taken hostage. The cake is later stepped on — and that's it. The friend isn't captured, doesn't realize Marilyn's stuck in her house with a mediocre murderer, nor does the cake trip up that murderer later. It's just a cheap trick to try

and build suspense that left me annoyed.

The main character was no help to the film either.

Though the stupidity of

characters is pretty much a requirement of the horror genre at this point, Marilyn Burns seemed particularly dim.

She has a gun upstairs in a drawer, a fact she seems to forget as she creeps around her house at a snail's pace thinking she heard something. This might be forgivable, except it happens twice, so you'd think she'd be smart enough to grab the gun the second time around.

Even the villain lacked brains, not to mention any facial expression. A stone-faced killer could be terrifying, but this guy just looked like he had one too many shots of Botox.

To top it all off, the music was rather ridiculous. It pretty much consisted of three chords that were played over and over again.

This movie's a laugh to see with friends when you're in the mood to chat more than watch. But don't trap yourself in a theater to see this one.

That would be the real horror experience.

A running theme of the film was 'pointless things happen.'

to justify the name.

A running theme of the film was 'pointless things happen.' Many of the movie's scenes were superfluous, adding



PHOTO BY THOMAS SOERENES

Filmgoers socialize in the Annie Wright School's Great Hall on Oct. 4, the opening night of the Tacoma Film Festival. Some directors and other contributors to the various films spoke to the gathering about their work. Afterwards, they attended the west coast premiere of "The Taiwan Oyster" in the Kenper Theater.

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Music tunes to Trinity

Eastvold pushes musicians across the street

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In past years, someone walking behind Eastvold Auditorium might hear a music student practicing through an open window in the voice studios. Such surprises can no longer be heard, as the voice studios, previously in Eastvold, have been moved to Trinity Lutheran Church to make way for the construction taking place in Eastvold.

The voice studios moved from Eastvold to Trinity Church in January to prepare for phase two of the construction on Eastvold. Senior lecturer LeeAnne Campos said the move went very smoothly. "I don't miss the old studios at all," Campos said. "The rooms are bigger than our spaces in Eastvold and are more comfortable," Campos said. "Since so many of the part-time music faculty are now teaching in the same general area, we get to see each other more often." Overall response to the

move has been positive.

First-year Megan Zink, who had never practiced in the old Eastvold studios, says she actually prefers that the studios are at Trinity.

"The community there [at Trinity] is very welcoming," Zink said.

sailing away on multiple high notes it can get very distracting!" she added. However, "it isn't a horrible situation. In fact, it's kind of fun, listening to what everyone else is doing."

Another concern for some is the distance from campus.

While Trinity is only about a block from campus, it is much further from Mary Baker Russell Music Center than Eastvold is.

"Most of my students are music majors, so they spend most of their time in MBR," Campos said. "It's quite a long walk and there were a couple of stormy days last spring when my students arrived wet and cold."

The move to Trinity is permanent, at least at this stage. Renovations in Eastvold will continue until 2013, transforming the building into the Karen Hille Phillips Center for Performing Arts. The center will contain the already completed studio theater and scene shop, as well as 630 new seats for the auditorium, elevator access to all floors and an art gallery in the main lobby.

"The rooms are bigger than our spaces in Eastvold and are more comfortable."

LeeAnne Campos
Senior Lecturer

Sophomore Sam Chapman is a veteran of the old Eastvold studios.

"The move hasn't really been an inconvenience at all," Chapman said.

Not that students think the move is without drawbacks.

"The studios aren't well insulated, so you can hear pretty much everything that everyone else is doing," Chapman said.

"When a bigger voice is



PHOTO BY SARAH HENDERSON

Construction workers make changes to the south side of Eastvold Auditorium, where voice lessons were once held. Voice lessons are now held at Trinity Lutheran Church. Eastvold construction is expected to be done in fall of 2013.



PHOTO BY RYAN PAGE

Senior Lecturer LeeAnne Campos helps senior Stephanie Bivins warm up her voice before her lesson in the temporary voice studios, located at Trinity Lutheran Church. Between vocal exercises, the muffled voices of singers in adjacent rooms can easily be heard. "I wish the walls were thicker," Bivins said.



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Tablet talk:

Touch screens for the very first time

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The joyous college experience of lugging textbooks around campus may be coming to an end. Tablets take the text out of our bags and put it into our gadgets, and that's only a fraction of what they can do.

Whether you want to surf the Internet, play games, watch movies, make video calls or just read the news, some tablets have it all.

With most tablets, you can purchase word processing, spreadsheet and presentation software, which can be saved as Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint documents respectively.

Yet with every technological advance, problems arise. A lot of textbooks aren't available in e-book form and some just aren't practical to use in a restricted rectangular screen.

Additionally, laptops still have better software and graphics support. They include USB and HDMI ports as well, features many tablets only have adapters for. Still, if you plan on joining the tablet craze, then these are the best options for students.

The New iPad \$499

The newest addition to the iPad legacy has the best resolution available in tablets and 250,000 new apps available. With the iBooks store, students can buy interactive textbooks complete with "Lesson Check" quizzes.

The iPad can be clunky to type with, however. As easy as it is to send short text messages on touch screens, writing your big research paper might be more of a chore. Although you can get accessories to remedy this, the most popular keyboard designs for the iPad tend to limit its portability.



Samsung Galaxy Tab 2 (7.0) Student Edition \$215

With this 7-inch tablet you'll get a keyboard dock, but the dock decimate the portability of this mini-tablet. It's small and light, but yet another thing to squeeze into your bulging backpack. The 3-megapixel camera is a letdown, since many smartphones have cameras of better quality. There are also only eight gigabytes of storage. With its SD card slot, however, you can add an additional 32 gigabytes. Still, if the typical 10-inch tablets are not your style, this smaller and less expensive tablet is for you.



ASUS Transformer Pad Infinity \$483.92 (not including docking station)

As pricey as this tablet is, it's also a viable replacement for a basic laptop. The tablet itself is thin, but the attachable keyboard is even thinner, so the addition of it won't weigh you down. Best of all, the keyboard includes many things the tablet lacks, like a regularly sized USB port and it also adds up to 15 hours of battery life to the tablet. Though the resolution doesn't match the new iPad's, it has the brightest screen and a bright future in the tablet world.



Microsoft Surface (Pricing Not Available)

Combining the tablet cover and keyboard into one is innovative and catches the eye. The tablet also has a built-in kickstand, a stylus for note taking and massive memory storage capabilities with an SD card slot and a full sized USB port. The kickstand can't be adjusted, however, which means you can't change the tablet-to-keyboard angle.

This tablet will be released Oct. 26 and comes preloaded with the Windows 8 software that comes out the same day.



*Pricing information from the Computer Network (CNET)

Breaking



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I don't think it's fair to limit that [privilege] to people who don't have the privilege to attend here.

-Ian Metz
ASPLU president

I just don't think we should be spending money to host something like this.

-Jeff Tolman
senior

The 'Lutedome' — a pill to some and a symbol of to others.

A well-known term and a term that has been of many diversity and outreach efforts at Pacific University.

For members of last ASPLU senate meeting, the term carried a pejorative and exclusive ASPLU senators, executive directors.

Or at least it carried weight that ASPLU is to set aside \$1,000 in pro funds to stockpile some diversity dynamite in a to raze the Lutedome im

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the 'Lutedome'

ASPLU plans a community dialogue day students question the costs of words

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The bill

ASPLU Senate Bill 2 will set aside money and planning efforts to host the first PLU "Community Dialogue Day," a panel dialogue focused on the Lutedome, PLU's place in the Parkland community and, most notably, the use of the phrase 'Parkland youth' — more commonly known by the acronym 'PY.'

The bill was initially proposed by PLU senior Chelsea Paulsen as part of her senior project for conflict resolution, ASPLU Public Relations Director Hillary Powell said. Since the bill's inception, ASPLU has assumed responsibility for the event, utilizing Paulsen as a resource.

The event, slated for mid- to late-November, will bring together PLU staff and students, associated student body members from Washington High School as well as the Washington H.S. principal to discuss PLU's relationship with the Parkland community and how PLU can be a more welcoming environment for Parkland community members, Ian Metz, ASPLU president, said.

And at the forefront of ASPLU's Community Dialogue Day is the dissolution of the term 'PY.'

The battle

While the majority of PLU community members who have voiced opinions on Senate Bill 2 have expressed support for the measure, some students have expressed disapproval over ASPLU's plan, specifically the \$1,000 set aside to host it.

"It [\$1,000] seems really big to me," junior Jessica Welch said.

Senior Jeff Tolman echoed Welch's opinion, saying that \$1,000 "is quite a bit of money" to bring community members to the university for an

event, especially when the event will be most beneficial to those community members. Tolman said he thought the essence of ASPLU's Community Dialogue Day was "a good idea," but he did not think the event "will be helpful" for the PLU community.

"PLU can improve our outreach programs," Tolman said. "But PLU needs internal improvements ... the main priority right now should be PLU focusing on itself."

Metz argued the event is mutually beneficial for both the PLU and Parkland communities — PLU will become a stronger part of Parkland and Parkland residents will feel more welcomed by PLU, he said. Additionally, Metz said the "majority of the student body doesn't think it [the term Lutedome] is a good thing."

Still, there are students like Tolman who hold a contrary view.

"There is a little bit of justification with 'Lutedome,'" Tolman said, citing the price of PLU tuition as a valid reason for PLU students to feel they are a part of a private community. Tolman did not say, however, that he supported any social boundary between PLU and the community.

"I just don't think we should be spending money to host something like this," he said.

But Metz stood by the use of student programming funds, affirming "this is a chance to spend money on something meaningful." Metz said he and his colleagues in ASPLU were concerned with PLU's appearance to the Parkland community, particularly that community members "don't necessarily feel welcome" on the PLU campus.

Opposition to the bill came as a surprise to Metz, who said he encourages opposed students "to look at the privilege they enjoy" as students of a private university.

"I don't think it's fair to limit that to

people who don't have the privilege to attend here," Metz said.

As for the funding, the \$1,000 is set aside to provide meals for the invited community members as Metz, a certified dialogue facilitator, said comfort is paramount to open dialogue. He also stressed the \$1,000 in ASPLU funds is simply a budget cap for the project, and that he does not believe the event will cost anywhere near that cap.

Senate Bill 2 was tabled last Tuesday, but Metz said he expects the bill to pass in senate next Tuesday, Oct. 16 "with unanimous support." He invited any students with questions or concerns to contact ASPLU online or in person.

ASPLU meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Students can contact them online at <http://www.plu.edu/asplu>, through Facebook or at their office in the lower AUC. Senators are also in the Commons during dinner for "Talk To Me Thursdays."

Silly lawsuits are a sign of privilege



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Self-indulgence and greed have left our nation dumbstruck and confused.

Our legal system has indulged frivolous lawsuits that have promoted a culture of individuals who believe they deserve outrageously large sums of money for asinine reasons.

Seventy-nine-year-old Stella Liebeck of Albuquerque, N.M. rose up to voice her concerns. Liebeck bought a coffee at the McDonald's drive-through in 1992. As Liebeck attempted to put cream and sugar into her coffee, she spilled it all over her lap.

Being emotionally scarred and suffering minor injuries, she was able to take this issue to court. Due to a jury's sympathy, McDonald's was held 80 percent liable for this outlandish claim. The jury awarded Liebeck \$160,000 in compensatory damages and \$2.7 million in punitive damages.

The decision was later appealed and settled out of court, giving Liebeck \$600,000 "pocketable" dollars for simply not paying attention and spilling her coffee according to court documents. Moral of the story: do something stupid and get rewarded.

If you need some spare change, just sue the local weatherman for his inaccurate forecasting on the acts of God.

It's a fact of life that weather forecasters often make mistakes, but one woman apparently did not get the

memo. An Israeli woman sued a television station for making an inaccurate weather prediction, prediction being the key word. The station predicted sun, but God gave them rain. The woman claimed that the forecast caused her to dress lightly. The poor planning on her part, and the inaccurate prediction of the weatherman, resulted in her catching the flu and missing work.

She sued for \$1,000, and won, according to court documents. Moral of this story: do something stupid and get rewarded.

All of these lawsuits have one thing in common: our American entitlement is allowing us to blame our first world problems on other people.

These lawsuits may seem like a quick way to earn a buck, but they have serious effects on our society.

Civil lawsuits cost the U.S. economy more than \$200 billion per year, according to the U.S. news. If you break that down, every taxpayer — including yourself — is paying \$700-\$800 each year for stupid people's get-rich-quick schemes.

We as a society need to put on our big girl panties and start realizing other people in third-world countries do not even have coffee to spill on their laps, or televisions to blame for their flu. We as American citizens need to realize our actions affect other people.

Frivolous lawsuits are bogging down the legal system with more than 15 million civil cases per year. This takes advantage of the legal system our forefathers built to protect us.

Next time you are angry about which toy McDonald's puts in your Happy Meal or that McDonald's gives you Pepsi instead of low-fat milk, think about people who have never even seen a Happy Meal.

Don't let the media filter your politics



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Insults, promises and exaggeration — it must be debating time in this year's presidential race. Every four years, Americans sit down to watch two people explain why one is better than the other. But whether voters are really influenced by the debate, or if we should even watch it, is less clear.

The first debate aired last Wednesday, Oct. 3, and the general consensus is that former Gov. Mitt Romney beat President Barack Obama. However, I didn't hear anything that changed my opinion about either candidate, much less my vote.

Typically, almost everything candidates say in debates is something we already know. We've all seen the attack ads and heard snippets of the standard vitriolic phrases. Debates just allow candidates to explain the same things with longer sentences.

According to social networking, the most popular nugget of information was about the classic Public

Broadcasting Station's (PBS) show "Sesame Street" and its star, Big Bird.

While discussing expenditures he would cut to reduce the deficit, Romney said he would cut the subsidy to PBS, presumably endangering "Sesame Street," even though he said he liked Big Bird. It was the offhand comment that launched a thousand memes, not including the Twitter posts.

Those are the kinds of things people remember about debates.

Everyone pays attention to the things that are different, amusing or shocking. Twenty years from now, I won't remember what Romney's plan was for the economy, but I'll remember what he said about Big Bird.

So if the "boring" information is just a longer version of what we already know, while any interesting bits get tossed around Twitter, comedy late night shows and multiple other news sources, is there any point in watching the actual debate?

I would say there is, but I also wouldn't make it my top priority. Debates are right in the middle of midterms and so missing one is probably inevitable. As there are multiple sources available online that give the highlights of debates, you can skip the podium posing and still feel politically active.

Just don't get too comfortable getting your political news from Tumbler

and quick Google searches. There's a risk of becoming too dependent on what other people think you should know versus what may actually be happening.

Even if you are getting your news from reputable sources like CNN, an important fact or detail that may have swayed your opinion might slip through the news world's net.

If you don't watch the original source for yourself, you will never know. Since the debate is available online, there are few excuses for not seeing the political tap dance yourself.

In 1960, the first presidential debate to be televised was between John F. Kennedy, who agreed to wear make-up for the cameras, and Richard Nixon, who refused make-up. Those who watched it, instead of listening on the radio, were certain the healthy-looking, energetic Kennedy won versus the sweaty, tired-looking Nixon. This was a debate that had big impact.

Now, even with both candidates carefully primped and styled, looks and body language dominate public perception. While Obama was often looking down and taking notes, Romney was practically perky, smiling and speaking directly to the president. And if all you do is skim through memes for your political news, you won't be any better informed than the voters of 1960.

The second debate is set for next Tuesday, Oct. 16.

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Unplug it

Contest starts good habits



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Few things are simpler than pulling the plug. UnPLUGged is a campus-wide effort to reduce energy use, encouraging everyone to conserve energy and unplug electronics.

UnPLUGged is a fun way to help the environment, and this year it is more public than it has been in previous years.

Not only is there a chart chalked outside of the Anderson University Center to track which residence hall is saving the most energy, but there are also unPLUGged events going on all month.

I know I have a horrible habit of leaving my phone plugged in all night and leaving my power strip on even when I'm not using it.

UnPLUGged is an easy and extremely beneficial way we can be more sustainable on campus. "Hour of No Power" and other unPLUGged events don't make our lives harder, so there's no reason why people can't participate.

I know a lot of people who are either too lazy or just don't feel like unplugging their power strips or hair

dryers when they aren't using them.

Before coming to PLU, this used to be me too. But being at a university that cares about the environment and being sustainable has made me realize how easy it can be to change our behaviors.

Not only does this save the university money, it also makes our world more sustainable for the future.

Although you may think saving energy means the school is saving tons of

sustainable, not only when you are on campus, but off campus as well.

However, it is still more important than ever to go outside and have fun without using electricity.

It's healthier for your mind, body and for our planet.

I know many of you are told over and over to unplug and are probably annoyed by it, but seriously, just unplug whatever you aren't using.

Even if something is plugged into the wall, but you aren't charging your laptop or phone, it still uses electricity. I strongly encourage all of you to stop being lazy and unplug. Not just this month, but

every day. It's a good habit to get into.

However, it is still more important than ever to try and go outside and have fun without using electricity.

money, that's not the case.

According to Christine Cooley, sustainability director for the university, the amount of money we save at PLU is pretty insignificant.

Unfortunately, the amount of energy saved from events like "Hour of No Power" doesn't show up on the university's power bill.

Although there are more savings for the month of unPLUGged, it still doesn't cover the extra costs from the increasing electricity rates in the past.

There are plenty of fun unPLUGged events going on this month. Students have the chance to get more connected with PLU and see all of the simple ways to be

The unPLUGged challenge runs from Oct. 1-30. President Krise will announce the winners at 2 p.m. on Oct. 30.

letter from the EDITOR

Be like Oprah

Woman moderator still asked to stay in the past



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Not once in my lifetime has a woman moderated a presidential debate. This sobering reality was spotlighted in the media this summer as three high school students petitioned on <http://change.org/> for a woman moderator in the 2012 election debates.

Imagine the empowerment young women felt in August when the Commission on Presidential Debates selected CNN's chief political correspondent Candy Crowley as moderator. It was an achievement well overdue. The last — and only — woman to ever host a presidential debate was 1992's Carole Simpson.

In a frustrating election brimming with Planned Parenthood cuts, panels entirely of men debating birth control in Congress and cries of a "war on women," a woman moderator is perfectly appropriate.

It's a shame her voice won't actually matter.

Picture the incredible disappointment of the three young women, the 122,344 voters who signed their petition and myself when we discovered that Crowley would not be asking her own questions at the debate.

Rather, Crowley will be hosting a "town meeting style" debate, holding the microphone for audience members as they ask their own questions.

While Crowley's male

counterparts ask candidates questions face to face and man to man, Crowley serves in this debate as nothing more than a vessel for the queries of a lesser educated audience.

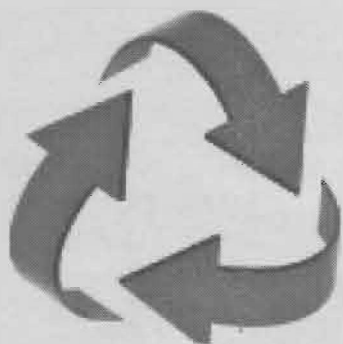
I suppose we should have seen it coming. In the 1992 debate, Simpson, the first female and black to moderate, was also the first person to moderate a town hall debate. It seems an unlikely coincidence that the town hall debate was introduced at the exact same time as women moderators.

In an article for The Atlantic, Simpson recalled that she was repeatedly told her debate would be an 'Oprah-style' show. The audience members asked the questions, while a voice in her ear-piece told her who to take questions from. Crowley will inevitably operate under the same limitations.

By marginalizing Crowley and limiting her influence in the debate, we have lost the opportunity to present young women with a role model in politics. Even worse, three young women and all who petitioned were told their voices matter just as little as Crowley's does.

It's not hard to see why Crowley was given such an unimportant role. The problem lies with the sixteen men and one woman on the Commission on Presidential Debates, who choose the moderators and the roles they will play. It lies in a 2012 study of politics in the media, which states that men are quoted five times more often than women about 'women's issues.' It lies in an apathetic country that forgot to care until three high school students reminded it to.

On Oct. 16, I will accept the stunted victory women have been given and tune in to watch the debate. I only hope that by 2016, I will see a woman calling the shots at a major presidential debate.



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SPORTS SCHEDULE

Football

Upcoming Games

Oct. 13 at Pacific, 1 p.m.
Oct. 20 vs. Willamette 12:30 p.m.

Previous Games

Win (31-14): Oct. 6 at Lewis and Clark
Loss (31-24): Sept. 29 vs. Linfield

Volleyball

Upcoming Games

Oct. 12 at Whitworth, 7 p.m.
Oct. 13 at Whitman, 5 p.m.

Previous Games

Win (3-0): Oct. 5 vs. George Fox
Win (3-0): Oct. 3 at Puget Sound

Men's Soccer

Upcoming Games

Oct. 13 vs. Whitman, 2:30 p.m.
Oct. 14 vs. Whitworth, 2:30 p.m.

Previous Games

Tie (2-2): Oct. 5 vs. Puget Sound
Win (2-1): Sept. 30 at Whitman

Women's Soccer

Upcoming Games

Oct. 13 vs. Whitman, noon
Oct. 14 vs. Whitworth, noon

Previous Games

Win (3-2): Oct. 7 at Willamette
Win (1-0): Oct. 6 vs. George Fox

Cross Country

Upcoming Games

Oct. 13 at Lewis and Clark Invitational, 11 a.m.

Previous Games

Oct. 6 WWU Classic Invitational, MXC (12th), WXC (9th)

More than a tie

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The women's soccer team has played eight conference matches this season. Five ended in a tie.

With a record of 4-1-5, 2-1-5 the Lutes are locked in a fourth place tie in the Northwest Conference.

Before this season, the most games the women's soccer program had tied in a season was four. The 2012 squad has already surpassed that total with eight matches remaining.

In soccer, standings are determined on a points system. A win earns a team three points, a tie garners one point and a loss results in a goose egg.

The Lutes knocked off last-place George Fox 1-0 in double overtime Saturday at home. The game was already the sixth double overtime for the Lutes this season.

First-year forward Lauren Larson drove home her team-leading sixth goal of the season from 22 yards off an assist from junior defender Brenna Sussman.

The Lutes defeated Willamette in Salem the

following day. Maintaining the status quo, the Lutes won in double overtime, 3-2.

Larson added her seventh goal of the season in the seventh minute, again off an assist from Sussman.

The Bearcats responded with two goals in the following 18 minutes to take a 2-1 lead. The two Bearcat goals cued the Blake Warner show.

The sophomore defender scored in the 58th minute on a corner kick that eluded all Lutes and Bearcats going into the goal. In the second overtime period, Warner won the game for the Lutes from 23 yards out on a ball that was deflected by the Willamette goalie and rolled into the goal.

The current two-game conference winning streak is the first for the Lutes since the last two games of the 2010 season.

The Lutes put their budding winning streak on the line this weekend, hosting Whitman tomorrow and Whitworth Sunday. Both games begin at noon.

The Lutes have already tied both teams this season.



PHOTO BY JESSE MAJOR

First-year forward Lauren Larson is tied up with a Bruin defender fighting for position during Saturday's 1-0 double overtime victory over George Fox. Larson's seven goals this season are the team high and second best in the Northwest Conference.

Lutes explore Pioneers' backfield

Football team shuts down Lewis and Clark's run game, wins 31-14

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Pacific Lutheran defeated the reigning offensive player of the year junior quarterback Keith Welch and the undefeated Lewis and Clark Pioneers in Portland last Saturday.

The Pioneers owned the seventh-ranked offense in the country last year due largely to Welch and running back Curtis Shirey.

The Lutes' defense didn't care.

The defense held Lewis and Clark to 14 points and 256 yards in a 31-14 rout of the Pioneers.

"Containing him [Welch] was a part of our strategy, but our main focus was to stay in our lanes, do our jobs and stop the run," junior defensive tackle Mychael Tuisasosopo said. "After that everything else took care of itself."

Tuisasosopo and four other Lute defenders recorded six tackles Saturday.

The running game for the Pioneers was nonexistent. They gained an abysmal 24

rushing yards on 32 attempts.

The only offensive threat from Lewis & Clark's offense was Welch's arm, but Welch was picked off three times completing 26 of 45 passes for 232 yards and two touchdowns. Welch was sacked five times.

Junior cornerback Taylor Angevine recorded two interceptions and fellow junior cornerback Jonny Volland recorded the other. Volland's takeaway was his fourth of the season and Angevine's was his third.

The turnovers resulted from constant pressure from the Lutes defensive line. Junior defensive end Sam Lavis, senior linebacker Derrik Larson and sophomores Blake Peterson and Doug Sullivan all recorded sacks.

Sullivan had two of the five sacks and recovered a fumble that resulted in a Pacific Lutheran touchdown on the next play.

"Our team is one big family, so seeing any of our brothers make a play is great,"

senior safety and team captain Erik Hoium said. "But when a guy that isn't always out there, makes the most of an opportunity, steps up and makes a play, I don't think there is anything that gets our entire team more fired up."

Sullivan has played in all four games this season but

secondary confused for the entire afternoon.

His main target was sophomore wide receiver Kyle Warner, who caught eight passes for 195 yards and a touchdown. Sophomore wide receiver Austin Hilliker caught a seven-yard touchdown after Sullivan's forced fumble and fumble recovery.

Ritchey noticed Lewis & Clark was going to blitz everyone except one corner, so he audibled to a pass play that called for Hilliker to run a quick slant resulting in his first collegiate touchdown reception.

"It was a privilege to get the opportunity to make the play," Hilliker said. "But it all started with the offensive line giving Dalton [Ritchey] enough time to hit me in stride and credit Doug [Sullivan] for coming up with the football, giving us this great field position."

Ritchey's three touchdown passes increased his season total to eight.

In the first quarter, senior running back Cody Pohren

"Our team is one big family, so seeing any of our brothers make a play is great to see."

Eric Hoium
senior

has seen limited action as a sophomore.

Sophomore quarterback Dalton Ritchey once again shined for the Lutes. Ritchey completed 19 of 30 passes for 273 yards and three touchdowns to one interception.

Ritchey connected with eight different receivers leaving the Pioneers'

stretched a screen pass into a 48-yard reception. The play was called back due to a holding penalty. On the ensuing play, Warner added a 48-yard reception of his own, but that too was called back for an ineligible downfield. The drive ended in a punt for the Lutes.

The Lutes cruised to a 17-0 lead late in the third quarter before Lewis and Clark got on the board with a 24-yard touchdown pass from Welch with 4:03 remaining in the quarter.

Senior running back Brandon James gained 81 yards on only 13 touches including a seven-yard scamper in the third quarter.

The victory gave PLU its second win of the season and more importantly their first of the Northwest Conference, after suffering last week's loss to Linfield. The Lutes now sit at 2-2, 1-1.

Pacific Lutheran travels back to Portland tomorrow to play Pacific. The Boxers are 2-3, 1-1.

Kickoff is at 1 p.m.

SHOUP SHOTS

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The Pacific Lutheran soccer programs are on the verge of doing something they haven't done in seven years.

The last time both the men and women's programs finished in the top four in the Northwest Conference was in 2005. That year the men's team finished fourth and the women finished third.

The men have not finished out of the top four in the NWC since 2002 when they finished sixth.

After a fifth place finish in 2006, the women have alternated between sixth and seventh place finishes yearly.

The women are currently riding a mini two-game win streak and have only lost one of their 10 matches this season. They currently sit in fourth place in the NWC at 4-1-5, 2-1-5.

The men have won five of their seven conference matches and sit in second place in the NWC at 6-4-2, 5-1-1.

However, conference standings don't always accurately rank teams. For that reason I'm ranking the NWC men's and women's soccer teams as promised last week.

As always - ladies first.

Women's Soccer

1. Linfield Wildcats, third place

The Wildcats are currently in third place, but that is misleading. At 9-1-2, 5-1-2 the lone loss for Linfield came in a 1-0 decision to conference leader, Puget Sound.

Red-shirt junior forward Emily Fellows is undoubtedly the best player in the conference. Fellows leads the

conference with 12 goals, 26 points and 93 shots.

The next highest number of shots in the conference is 39.

2. Puget Sound, first place tie

The NWC championship trophy has made the Puget Sound campus home. The Loggers have won the NWC the last 10 seasons.

The Loggers are currently 7-3-1, 6-1-1 but have eased their grip over the NWC. Puget Sound has two narrow 1-0 victories over a mediocre Pacific Boxer team and over a one-win George Fox team.

3. Whitworth, first place tie

At 6-5-1, 6-1-1, the Pirates played horribly in non-conference but rebounded in their conference portion of the season.

The Pirates triumphed in only one of their past three matches.

4. Pacific Lutheran, fourth place tie

Saying the Lutes are an improved squad is an understatement. At 4-1-5, 2-1-5 the Lutes have already matched their win total from 2011.

First-year forward Lauren Larson is second in the conference with seven goals.

5. Lewis and Clark, fourth place tie

The Pioneer's signature game this season resulted in a 1-1 tie with Linfield.

With a record of 3-6-2, 3-3-2, two of Lewis and Clark's three conference victories came over the seventh and eighth place teams in the conference,

possible, one that will make your eyes roll, or you can send me your ideas.

Don't get me wrong, I would love to think of one of those names, but I'm asking you for your benefit.

So you have one more chance to save yourself before The Mast Monday Night Football pick 'em becomes a cliched monster.

Save yourself.

The Broncos travel to San Diego in what will be Peyton's second Monday Night Football game of the young season.

Denver at San Diego

Northwest Conference soccer power rankings



Sophomore forward Emmanuel Amarih fist-bumps his teammates during opening introductions before last Friday's game with Puget Sound. The game ended in a 2-2 draw. The Lutes sit in second place in this week's conference power rankings.

Whitman and George Fox.

6. Pacific, sixth place

Owning a record of 5-4-3, 3-4-1, the Boxers have had a tough time deciding if they enjoy winning, losing or tying games this season.

The Boxers are one point behind the Pioneers and Lutes for fourth place but have lost three of their last four matches.

7. Whitman, eighth place

The Missionaries are currently 3-8-1, 2-5-1.

Their 1-0 victory over Willamette put them ahead of the Bearcats at no. 7.

8. Willamette Bearcats, seventh place

At 4-7-1, 2-5-1 the Bearcats have already started playing for 2013. Willamette has only two wins in the past month.

9. George Fox Bruins, ninth place

It is borderline impossible to find a bright spot for the Bruins who are 1-9-2, 0-8.

Men's Soccer

Shane Gutierrez
men's soccer player
pick: SD
record: 4-0

Gutierrez has been so impressive with his picks this season he almost doesn't deserve hair jokes anymore. Almost. Maybe next week. Rumor has it, Gutierrez is debating bleaching his tips.

Geoff Loomis
men's baseball coach
pick: DEN
record: 3-1

Loomis laughed at the fact that Qualcomm Stadium (home of the Chargers) has a natural grass surface. FieldTurf was just installed on the PLU baseball field. He chose the Broncos to rub it in on the Chargers.

Lance Lute
trusty mascot
pick: SD
record: 3-1

Lance Lute is much more knowledgeable about PLU athletics than the NFL, but he is doing pretty well for himself. Can Lance build on his hot start as the season drudges on?

Steve Dickerson
men's basketball coach
pick: SD
record: 3-1

"The 'Bolts win as old man Rivers rolls on," Dickerson said. Might be a little premature to call Rivers, 30, an old man, but his name and grumpy demeanor warrant the nickname.

Stacey Hagensen
all-world softball player
pick: DEN
record: 2-2

I told you to take notice of Hagensen's losing record last week, because we won't see it again. Well, unless the Broncos lose Monday. Then we would see it again.

Allison McDaniel
Lute sports fanatic
pick: DEN
record: 2-2

McDaniel has rebounded from her excruciating 0-2 start in a big way but still finds herself two games out of the lead.

Dalton Ritchey
PLU quarterback
pick: DEN
record: 1-3

"Peyton Manning won't lose twice in a row," Ritchey said. Manning's Broncos have looked suspect this season.

The Mast Monday Night Football pick 'em

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In a completely predictable fashion, the Texans beat the Jets Monday.

The 23-17 final score was probably closer than most predicted, however.

Everyone in our league correctly picked Houston, so the standings remain the same.

Gutierrez remains the only "unbeaten" while Ritchey is finally in the win category at 1-3.

The name for our league also remains the same. At least for now.

While the football game was predictable, the number of emails I received regarding a name change was not. Zero. Do you want me to name it myself? Do you really want that to happen?

I can think of the cheesiest, alliteration-filled name

Volleyball team cruising

Ranked no. 14 in country

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The volleyball team is first place in the Northwest Conference. But that's no surprise.

The Lutes haven't finished lower than second place in the NWC since 2005, including four conference championships.

Sitting in first place, the Lutes made quick work of the visiting George Fox Bruins Friday night, sweeping aside the visitors in straight sets, 25-17, 25-23, 25-27.

The decisive victory improved the Lutes record to 14-2, 8-0 and dropped the fourth-place Bruins to 7-8, 5-3. The game came two nights after the Lutes' biggest win of the season, defeating the then no. 10 Puget Sound Loggers in straight sets in Puget Sound's gym.

A let-down was not in the works however.

"We just prepared for George Fox like they were any other opponent, not

underestimating them," senior outside hitter Kelsey Pacolt said.

Junior outside hitter Haley Urdahl led the Lutes with 11 kills. Fellow junior outside hitter Allison Wood and junior Bethany Huston each added 10 kills of their own.

All-American sophomore setter Samantha North amassed 35 assists.

Following its 2-0 week highlighted by Wednesday's statement victory over Puget Sound, the Lutes jumped from no. 17 in the country to no. 14.

"Being no. 14 in the nation is just a bonus to how well we have been doing," Pacolt said.

The Lutes have dropped only two sets in their eight matches this season.

PLU continues its run for its fifth conference crown in seven years this weekend when the team travels to the east side of the state.

The Lutes play Whitworth tonight at 7 p.m. and Whitman tomorrow, Saturday Oct. 13 at 5 p.m. before playing their next six games within the confines of Olson Auditorium.



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Sophomore setter Samantha North wins a battle at the net during Friday's 3-0 blowout over George Fox. North finished with three block assists as well as 35 assists.

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'Blacked-out' crowd isn't enough

First home night game in men's soccer program history ends in tie



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The Lutes held a 2-1 lead over cross-town rival Puget Sound Friday with four minutes remaining in regulation, but were unable to hold the lead.

The Loggers scored on a cross in the 86th minute that led to a 2-2 draw.

Lutes soccer players were disappointed in the result of Friday's game.

"I don't think we played very good today," junior defender Jeff Piaquadio said. "We're a much better team than they are."

Lutes felt like they had the talent to beat their rivaled team, but their performance proved otherwise.

"It was probably not our best performance," head coach John Yorke said. "At our best we might have had a better result."

After Puget Sound scored late in regulation, neither team was able to score in two overtime periods.

"Giving up a late goal was not what we really wanted to do," Yorke said.

The game started well for the Lutes. A third minute goal, scored by junior forward Derek Johnson from 25 yards out, assisted by sophomore forward Emmanuel Amarh, gave the Lutes a 1-0 lead in the first half.

The Loggers eventually scored at the 50-minute mark to draw the score even at 1-1.

PLU regained the lead in the 72nd minute.

Senior forward Shane Gutierrez took a free kick that was awarded to the Lutes after a collision between Amarh and the Loggers goal-keeper. Gutierrez passed the free kick to Amarh who found the back of the net.

The fans wore black as part of a promotion by the athletic department. Lute fans began their antics by cheering and jeering minutes before the match. The bright sunset hindered the view of the audience for the majority of the match.

The energy of the fans

waned as the Lutes' offense slowed in the middle of the first half.

"We struggled to really put the pressure on their forwards," junior goal keeper Joe Rayburn said. "There's always things we can improve on."

Rayburn made some nice saves for the Lutes defense, but it wasn't enough to carry the Lutes.

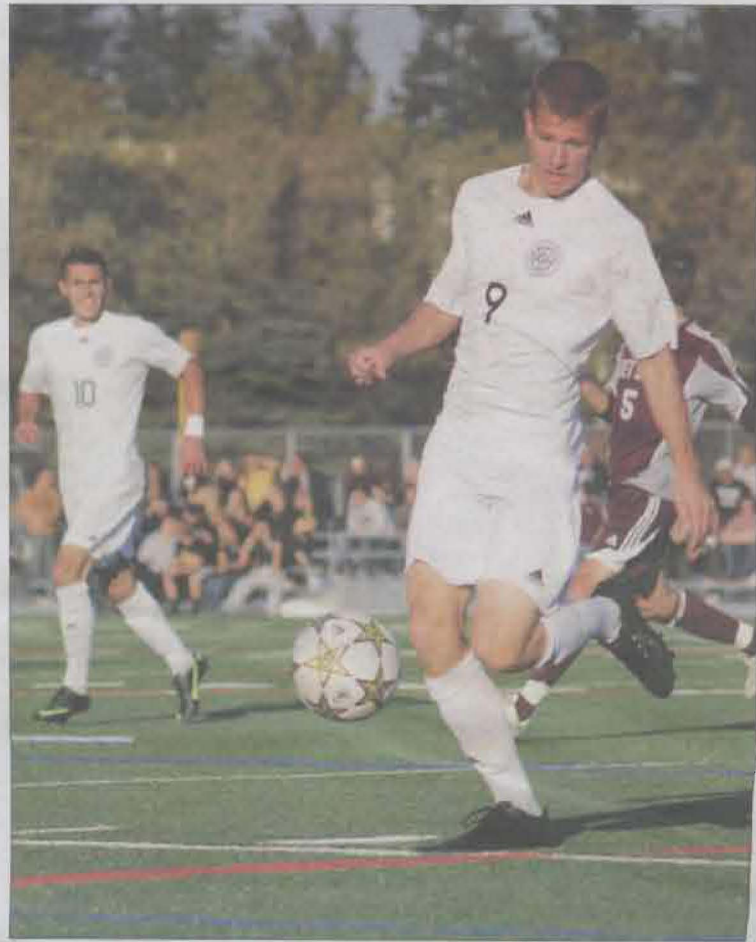
"I thought for the most part we approached the game a little bit better defensively," Rayburn said.

The spirit of the 350 fans' energy picked up again in hopes of the Lutes scoring a game-winning overtime goal, but to no avail.

Pacific Lutheran will get another chance against Puget Sound Nov. 3.

The Lutes host Whitman tomorrow and first-place Whitworth Sunday. Both games are set to begin at 2:30 p.m.

The Lutes and Whitworth shared the Northwest Conference title last season.



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TOP: A group of the PLU student section watch the first half of last Friday's game. The game was promoted by the athletic department as a "black out" calling for fans to wear black. MIDDLE: Junior forward Derek Johnson dribbles in the first half of Friday's game while junior midfielder Giancarlo Santoro pursues. Johnson scored his sixth goal of the season in the fourth minute. ABOVE: Players celebrate with the student section following Johnson's early goal. "The student section was fantastic," sophomore Jake Otness said. "When we scored, everyone went nuts. I almost did a backflip on the field." Otness settled with backflipping on the sideline.